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FM AMEMBASSY ALGIERS
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2196
INFO AMEMBASSY RABAT
USDA WASHDC

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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EPAP, AG
SUBJ: ALGERIAN COMPLAINT ON QUALITY OF US DURUM EXPORTS

1. FRED HEDIGER OF GARNAC GRAIN CO. VISITED EMBASSY ON MARCH 31, 1975, TO REPORT SOME TROUBLE ON QUALITY OF US DURUM WHEAT. ALGERIAN CHECK HAS FOUND THAT A RECENT GARNAC SHIPMENT FROM PHILADELPHIA TO ORAN HAD TOO MUCH SOFT WHEAT MIXED IN WITH DURUM. THE ALGERIAN ANALYSIS, ACCORDING TO HEDIGER, IS NOT DONE IN PROPER FASHION. IT IS SPOT CHECK RATHER THAN CONTINUOUS ANALYSIS.

2. HEDIGER WANTED TO KNOW IF EMBASSY WAS QUALIFIED TO DO ANALYSIS OF QUALITY OF DURUM WHEAT. EMBASSY IS NOT. ARE THERE USDA QUALIFIED EXPERTS WHO COULD COME TO ALGIERS IF THIS ISSUE CAN NOT BE SETTLED BY GARNAC?

3. EMBASSY TOLD HEDIGER THAT DURUM EXPORTS TO ALGERIA WERE VERY LARGE AND IMPORTANT MARKET. ANY QUESTION OF VALIDITY OF US CERTIFICATES OF QUALITY WOULD HURT OUR MARKET HERE, AND EMBASSY BELIEVES PROMPT ACTION TO VERIFY ANY ALGERIAN CLAIM IS IN OUR INTEREST. HEDIGER AGREED AND WILL CONTACT USDA IF FURTHER ASSISTANCE NEEDED. THUS BALL IS IN GARNAC'S COURT; BUT WITH SUCH LARGE SALES OF US CEREALS TO ALGERIA, EMBASSY WOULD
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APPRECIATE INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO RESPOND TO FUTURE

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